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13 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
14 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, OAKLAND DIVISION
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16 GRACE SMITH, et al.,
17 Plaintiffs,
18 v.

19 CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES AGENCY and CALIFORNIA
20 DEPARTMENT OF MANAGED HEALTH
CARE,
21 Defendants.
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Case No. 4:21-cv-07872-HSG

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Judge: Hon. Haywood S. Gilliam, Jr.

Action Filed: October 7, 2021
Trial Date: None Set

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24 Pursuant to this Court's order, ECF 108, the parties submit this joint status report. The
25 parties worked diligently during the continued stay to seek federal input on the insurance coverage
26 at issue in this matter. Counsel for the parties had various communications with staff members of
27 the federal Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) and the Office of
28 Civil Rights of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services between September 2024 and

1 November 2024.

2 Also during the stay, Plaintiff Smith completed her arbitration against Kaiser, in which she
3 prevailed. Upon the lifting of the stay, Plaintiffs plan to file an amended complaint, via stipulation
4 or motion, to remove Ms. Smith as a plaintiff and to add one or more additional individual
5 plaintiffs.

6 The parties do not seek to extend the stay.

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8 Respectfully submitted,

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10 DATED: January 14, 2025

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